

DISTRICT V ADVISORY BOARD
Minutes
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April 4, 2005
7:00 p.m.

Auburn Hills Golf Course Clubhouse
443 S. 135th West

Nine District Advisory Board Members including one Youth Member attended the District V Advisory Board meeting. In attendance also were eight (8) City staff. Approximately 28 members of the public were present with 21 signing the sign-in sheet.

Members Present

David Almes
Bob Bulman
David Dennis
Jerry Hoggatt
Andy Johnson
John Marker
DeAnn Sullivan
Steve Winslow
Anthony Vu
Council Member Bob Martz

Members Absent

Maurice Ediger
Scott Johnson
Ann Welborn
Monica Vashaw

Staff Present

Officer David Wertz, Police
Sgt. Trevor McDonald, Police
Officer Harris, Police,
Officer Beck, Police
Officer Birdwell, Police
Jim Armour, Public Works
Jason Jantz, Public Works
Dana Brown, City Manager's Office

Guests

Listed on page 5.

Call to Order

Bob Martz, City Council Member, called the meeting to order at 7:07. He welcomed the public to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda

The minutes for March 7, 2005 were approved as presented by a vote of 8:0 (**Johnson/Almes**). The agenda was accepted as presented.

Community Police Report

Community Police Officer David Wertz, Beat 16, reported for the all police beats in District V including 16, 19, and 199. He said that follow up on an issue from the DAB of the difficulty in seeing the curb and lane-markings for right and left turns at the intersections of Maple & Tyler and Maple & Maize. Officer Wertz said that the concern had been reported to Public Works and plans were made to repaint the striping.

Officer Wertz also reported that six vandalisms had occurred at 13th & Tyler early that morning about 1:30 a.m. Stones were thrown into car windows that were parked on the street. He

encouraged residents to park their cars in the driveways rather than the street. **Sgt. Trevor McDonald** introduced himself and noted that patrols had been increased to handle the increased vandalism that warmer weather seems to bring. **Officer Wertz** said that police only know currently that the vandals were in a black pickup.

Officer Wertz reported that he and Officer Perkins were presenting a proposed plan to Chief William to communicate safety to the public. They hope to work with businesses that use marquees for advertising to run several safety slogans. The Officers have already talked to business owners who have expressed interest in supporting their plan.

DAB Members noted that the concern regarding the street markings at the Maple intersections identified included both median and curb markings. **Officer Wertz** said he understood and had communicated that to Public Works.

Action: The information was received and filed.

New Business

Central Improvement, from ¼ mile west of 135th St. West to 119th St. West

Jim Armour, Public Works, introduced the item as a 2004-2013 Capital Improvement Project (CIP) to improve the designated portion of Central that is currently a 2-lane asphalt mat road with ditches. The total construction cost is estimated at \$4,300,000, funded by \$1,350,000 City General Obligation and \$2,950,000 Federal Funds. With the Council's authorization of the design in May 2004, Mid-Kansas Engineering Consultants (MKEC) was contracted. Armour then introduced Jay Anglemeier, MKEC, to present the project.

Anglemeier explained that two options were proposed for the project. Option #1 includes widening to 4-lanes with left turn lanes and medians, and bridge reconstruction to accommodate a gradual, easier to drive curve. Option #2 includes widening to 4 lanes with left turn lanes and medians and bridge modification accommodating the current alignment. Both designs would also widen 135th Street to 4 lanes with left turn lanes both north & south of Central that gradually narrow to the existing 2-lane roads and paving the intersection at 135th. Underground storm drainage, sidewalks, and landscaping are also included. Traffic signals at Central 119th will be included in a separate project. Anglemeier said the difference in the cost of the two projects is approximately \$300,000 due to the proposed differences for the bridge.

Residents asked questions about straightening Central; arrangements to access; medians; obstacles moving farm equipment onto land; drainage concerns; closeness of road to residential property, need for brick crosswalks; construction time period and access for residents; benefit of additional cost for bridge renovation; understanding that Highland Springs CUP was to pay for the road West of 135th; request to have traffic light installed sooner than 2007 and also a traffic light at Central & 135th; current number of accidents on Central curve, and any potential for any hazardous spillage into lake from accident; and request for DAB to include priority of straight alignment in their recommendation. **Council Member Martz and staff** addressed the questions explaining the Calfskin Creek is an obstacle for a straight alignment; all properties will be accessible; drainage into private ponds is legal requirement of flood drainage plan; brick crosswalks are routinely recommended by the Design Council to include aesthetics in infrastructure; construction is expected to begin Spring 2007 and be completed by Fall 2007 over approximately 7 months; and bridge renovation would provide increased safety. Staff will collect information for other questions.

The **Board Members** asked about safety of the curve; the cost difference and need for brick pavers vs. stained concrete; impact of project on storm drainage flow; necessity of medians and access obstruction to residential properties; environmental concerns for storm water drains vs. ditches for storm water draining into homeowner association ponds; replacing private irrigation systems after construction; ensuring fire hydrants in waterline; underground or overhead cable planned for traffic signal; and, history of speeding & accidents in the area. **Council Member Martz and staff** responded that the speed associated with the renovated bridge includes an error of safety; approximately \$50 more per square yard of brick which provides visual crosswalk that doesn't require re-striping; more study needed on impact of drainage flow; Environmental Services and Kansas Department of Health & Environment currently conducting sample study of drainage from roads, testing for contaminants; islands necessary to create fifth lane for left-turns; fire hydrants included and sprinkler systems returned to operation after construction; underground cable for traffic signal; and more study necessary regarding history of speeding and accidents. **Amour** also pointed out that the wider bridge would cost about 2/3 in contrast to the right of way costs.

The District Advisory Board recommended the project be tabled until the associated concerns could be reviewed and addressed (**Dennis/Hoggatt**). Motion passed 8:0.

Action: The Board voted to request that staff address concerns and re-present the project at the May meeting.

Due to residents in the Firefly/Azure area attending the meeting to present petitions, the Council Member requested that the agenda be revised to address any associated issues or questions. The Board Agenda was heard next.

Board Agenda

Updates, Issues, and Reports

Reports given about activities, events, or concerns in the neighborhoods and/or District V.

Council Member Martz

- A. **Firefly & Azure Projects** – **Council Member** reported that three separate petitions had been received from this area for water, sewer main, and sewer laterals. These are separate from the original petition for paving, which will be mat paving. The water petition was signed by 30 of 57 residents, sewer main signed by 29 of 57 residents; and sewer laterals signed by 28 of 53 residents due to four property owners having laterals installed previously. **Gaylene Schommer, 1248 Firefly**, said that every resident was contacted to give opportunity to sign. **Lou Sheets** said the same procedure was used for the previous petition for paving.

Armour said the design project for the paving hadn't begun yet due to the three new petitions impacting the overall design.

Johnson (Almes) moved that the Board should waive bringing the petitions back in May if Public Works found the petitions to be valid

Action: Board voted 8:0 to waive returning the petitions in May, if verified as valid.

- B. **Dangerous Intersection Concern - Council Member Martz** reported on a concern from a resident about a dangerous intersection at Crestline & Greenspoint where a serious traffic accident had occurred recently. The accident involved a youth driver and passenger who were seriously injured.

New Business (Continued)

Proposed Community Event Ordinance

Dana Brown, City Manager's Office, presented an overview of a proposed ordinance for approving requests to utilize public property for a community event. The ordinance provides a process that includes application to the City Licensing Office with a fee based on number of days previous to the event; interdepartmental review of application; opportunity for applicant to meet with department representatives to address issues and explore options for meeting city codes and other requirements; a denial and appeal process; and, handling block parties differently than a community event. The proposed ordinance will resolve issues such as the current handling of event applications by three separate departments; requiring applicants to contact each department to review plan; challenges for staff including inadequate time to fully address applications and issues, obtain street closure approvals from City Council, and ensure necessary permits and licenses are obtained.

Questions from **Board Members** were in reference to (1) the ordinance making approval more restrictive; (2) refund of applicant's fee if not approved; (3) payment by non-profits; and (4) more restrictions for noise in neighborhoods. The following information was provided in response: (1) the ordinance would not place any more restrictions on application approval and would hopefully make the application process more clear; (2) The ordinance states that no refund is given if the event is not approved; (3) Non-profit events would be subject to the proposed fee; and, (4) greater restriction for noise is included in the proposed ordinance and also initiated the proposed amendments for the existing noise ordinance.

Council Member Martz asked for clarification on whether special requests to except the 15-business day limit for acceptance of the applications would be handled by the Manager or the Council Member. Staff will clarify the Manager's point made during discussion in a previous Council workshop.

A **Board Member** suggested that reasons for denial be included on the application form. It was then moved and seconded that the proposed ordinance be approved by City Council.

Action: Motion passed 8-0 to recommend the City Council approve the proposed ordinance.

With no further items, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

The next regular meeting for District Advisory Board V is scheduled at Auburn Hills Clubhouse at **7:00 p.m. on May 2, 2005.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Dana Brown, Neighborhood Assistant
City Council District V

Guests

Jim Bake	608 Rainbow Lake	67235
Yvette Emerson	1317 N. Firefly	67235
Mel Smith	1318 N. Firefly	67235
Shirley Smith	1318 N. Firefly	67235
Jeff Schommer	1248 N. Firefly	67235
Gaylene Schommer	1248 N. Firefly	67235
Leland League	13314 W. Central	67235
Linda League	13314 W. Central	67235
Ken Kimball	528 N. Rainbow Lake	67235
Don Albert	120 S. 151 st West, Goddard	67052
Nancy Lugo Baez	702 N. Bay Country	67235
Winifred Albert	916 N. Robin	67212
John Voegeli	635 N. Wheatland	67235
Betty Voegeli	635 N. Wheatland	67235
Kerri Mauck	13210 W. Central	67235
Guy Mauck	13210 W. Central	67235
Lola Havercroft	13101 W. Central	67235
Deana Fitzsimmons	Corner of Central & Rainbow Lakes	67235
Marilyn Fitzsimmons	Corner of Central & Rainbow Lakes	67235
Dean Loesch	13110 W. Central	67235
Sally Loesch	13110 W. Central	67235